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CREATING THE ARIZONA GOVERNOR'S RANGELAND ADVISORY COUNCIL

WHEREAS, Arizona is concerned with the proper management of its rangelands in order to assure long range productivity by increasing permanent cover of desirable vegetation, by reducing soil erosion and sedimentation, by providing for a reliable yield of water, and by enhancing the quality of the environment, and

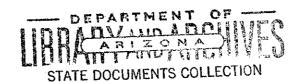
WHEREAS, Arizona recognizes the importance to its economy of the various livestock, ranching and other industries that manage rangelands or that depend on the productivity of rangelands, and

WHEREAS, it is desirable for economic and environmental reasons to assure that Arizona's rangelands are managed for maximum long term productivity, and

WHEREAS, it is desirable for the Governor to have a council who will advise him on all existing or proposed programs and practices in the governmental and private sectors that significantly impact rangeland productivity, and who will analyze issues and reasonable alternatives to resolve the issues, and who will emphasize economic productivity in harmony with environmental quality.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Raul H. Castro, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby create the Arizona Governor's Rangeland Advisory Council and order and direct:

- 1. The Council membership shall be composed of not less than ten representatives from private industries and associations who are directly concerned with the proper management of rangelands for long term economic and environmental productivity.
- 2. The Council chairman and members shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor without compensation.
 - 3. The functions and purpose of the Council shall be:
 - a. Advise and assist the Governor on significant current and proposed public and private programs that affect the productivity of rangelands and therefore the productive capacity of some of Arizona's economic industries.
 - b. Provide a communications forum among Federal, State, and local agencies, the private sector and the Governor's Office for clarifying issues of mutual concerns.
 - c. Encourage and support the expenditure of public and private funds for increasing the productivity of rangelands based on scientifically accepted environmental principles.
 - d. In those matters referred to it by the Governor's Office, the Council shall participate in the structure and activities of a western regional rangeland development committee.
 - e. Perform such other related tasks as the Governor may direct.
- 4. The Council shall meet at the call of the Governor or Council chairman. The Council shall meet at least twice in each calendar year.
 - 5. This order shall become effective immediately.



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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona.

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix this eighteenth day of March in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-six and of the Independence of the United States the Two Hundredth.

OVERNOR

ATTEST:

Assistant Secretary of State